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In re Application of: Sanwa Kosan Kabushiki Kaisha

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For: PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF L-ARABINOSE BY ACIDIC

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In response to the Office Action mailed February 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as shown. One new dependant claim has been added pursuant to the original filing fee. If any Extension of Time for the accompanying response is required, applicants request that this be considered a Petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account 501923.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 5 of this response.

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